

# EASTERN NEBRASKA HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY AND REGION VI GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

## June 20, 2007 Special Meeting for ENOA

Chair Mary Ann Borgeson called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM. She stated that the public meeting law is posted in the meeting room.

#### 1. Roll Call

Roll call showed the following in attendance: Mary Ann Borgeson (Douglas County), and Ron Nolte (Cass County), Bev Griffith (ENOA Director), Attorney Chris Jerram. Rich Jansen (Sarpy County) arrived at 3:30 PM; Washington County was not represented. State of Nebraska Senator Tom White was present later in the meeting.

## 2. Comments & Correspondence

Bev Griffith referred to Exhibit 2. The Chair reported that one of ENOA's bath aid contractors will not be renewing their contract for FY 2007-08. This is due, in part, to ENOA's lid on service rates for the coming year. Bev stated that this is the second contractor who has notified us that they would not be renewing their 2007-08 contract.

## 3. Review of ENOA Budget for FY 2007-08

Bev introduced Staff who were present in the audience:

Dee Wilson, Director Case Management
Patty Schirmbeck, Elder Rights and Information & Assistance
Carol Gleason, Grants Accountant
Jeff Reinhardt, Public Information Director
Susie Davern, Nutrition Services Director
Arlis Smidt, Home Delivered Meals Director
Roxie MacKenzie, Director Subsidized & Private Sector Employment
Chris Gillette, Director Community Services
Geri Urban, Quality Assurance Coordinator
Rebecca El-Ras, Respite Resource Center
Joanne Henderson, Practicum Student for Respite Resource Center
Rita Finn, Director Medicaid & Senior Care Options
Andy Mueller, Fiscal Officer

The Chair reviewed ENOA funding problems. For FY 2007-08, the agency was running a deficit and needed \$290,000 to keep it status quo. We were successful in getting the amendment, however, the governor vetoed it, then we fell four votes short of getting the override. A letter was then sent to the State asking for reimbursement on the under-60 programs: Home Delivered Meals, Congregate Meals, and the PAS Program. All ENOA programs were put on hold until we received word back from the State. Some additional

funding was later received from the State, so ENOA was able to assemble the FY 2007-08 budget that is being presented to the Board today.

Bev handed out a report showing that 32% of the State's 60+ population resides in the five-county area served by ENOA.

She stated that the final budget figure is \$9,489,299.00 This is an all cash budget and includes no in-kind at this time.

Bev referred to Exhibit B. This set out the funding per the eight area agencies on aging in Nebraska. The Older Americans Act is funded by titles, then there is CASA and the Care Management Program. Priority service minimums on In Home and Access and Legal Services are determined by the State of Nebraska. ENOA obviously provides much more than the minimums.

All workshop expenses (\$9,473) have been removed from the budget and staff have voluntarily returned raises in the amount of \$24,000. These dollars will be dedicated to meet the emergency needs of our clients that are not covered by any other resource.

There are increases in medical and dental insurance for FY 2007-08. Postage and phone lines have also gone up. Building budget remains the same. We do not have to purchase any new computers this year. \$36,000 will go for ENHSA Administration.

Bev then summarized the ENOA FY 2007-08 budget by program area, per Exhibit A. The new format set out an explanation of the program area, FY 06-07 client data, then the budget figures broken down by title revenue.

## 4. Request for Executive Session

Bev requested an executive session to discuss personnel matters. Motion was made that the Board go into executive session at 4:00 PM. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion was made that the Board come back out of executive session at 4:20 PM and that the meeting be reopened to the public. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion was made approving the ENOA FY 2007-08 budget as presented in Exhibit 3A. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

The Chair thanked ENOA Staff for their work on the budget and thanked the Board Members for their patience.

The Chair declared the meeting open to the press conference at this time. She introduced the Board and Senator Tom White. On behalf of the Board, she thanked the State for coming up with some of the additional dollars that ENOA had started out requesting during the legislative process.

Effective July 1, 2007, the State will match entirely the ENOA Medicaid Case Management dollars, allowing us to place \$107,009 back in the budget. This match had previously been provided by counties or by CASA's match funds. In addition, the State will reimburse ENOA for the match for the FY 2006-07 in the amount of \$90,490. We thank the State for these funds but we wish to stress that the \$90,490 is a one-time reimbursement and will cause a problem in budgeting for next year because those dollars will not be available.

Our request of the State for the under-60 meals increase of \$ .10 per meal was granted, resulting in an additional \$351 for the Congregate Meal Program and \$2,708 for the Home Delivered Meals Program. ENOA is still subsidizing the Congregate Meal-under 60 in the amount of \$1,650; the Congregate-over 60 in the amount of \$32,269; and the Home Delivered Meal-over 60 in the amount of \$160,072.

The additional funds have been prioritized as follows: Homemaker, Bath Aide, Emergency Response System, and Home Delivered Meals. These are the high-need areas for our frailest population. These services will be taken off hold July 1<sup>st</sup>.

In prioritizing the needs of our budget, we have also approved the following: putting a hold on hiring new staff (unless by attrition) and making adjustments to services within our senior centers. We would like to withhold the specifics until staff has had a chance to talk with the people in the centers we are serving.

Staff have made contributions showing that the people they serve are first and foremost on their minds. They will pay for their own workshops to earn CPU's for their professional licenses, amounting to \$9,743. Staff has also returned \$24,000 to the agency in staff raises for the FY 2007-08.

When the statement is made that the State approved a 3% increase (\$689,288) in State general funds for FY 2007-08 for community-based state agency services aide, that means the entire state aging network received a 3% increase—not ENOA. When we apply the funding formula to that 3%, ENOA receives the following: \$114,681 in new community service dollars, \$16,817 in new case management funds. This amounts to \$130,000 in new state funds.

While this additional funding does help the budget deficit for this year, it does not solve ENOA's problems. We should not be continually reducing services or putting services on hold. Instead we should be working towards building up capacities in our community-based service system in order to save dollars and keep the population we serve out of the higher cost alternatives. The aging population is increasing and will continue to do so in years to come. We can assure the governor, the state senators, the taxpayers and people

we serve that we have taken great care in establishing our budget each and every year. This year is no exception, and yet, this means prioritizing.

The Chair introduced Senator Tom White at this time. The Senator stated that it breaks his heart to see staff giving up raises when he knows that livings are modest and family needs are many. That staff is willing to do so only reinforces to him the importance of himself and others continuing to fight for us. He stated that staff is there and see the needs; if they are willing to make those sacrifices; whatever little he and others can do is not enough. He thanked ENOA staff for their concern and sacrifices.

Secondly, there was a bitter fight in the unicameral this year on vetos. He stated that ENOA asked for what he thought was an incredibly modest increase to be targeted at keeping our elderly citizens in their homes.

Given the rise in expense of taking care of our elderly citizens in nursing homes or higher care facilities and the very modest amount the government would have to spend to help them stay in their homes, he could not in good conscience, support anything like that nor could he understand it rationally.

The governor and his supporters claim it was necessary to be fiscally responsible. Senator White stated that he does not believe this is true. Surely you can spend irresponsibly, but you can also fail to spend in a responsible manner. Necessary money needs to be spent now to prevent expenditures in the future.

That staff would sacrifice so much to take care of those who are so very vulnerable is highly commendable. Also, thank you for saving Nebraska taxpayers so much money through your efforts so that we can effectively intervene, keep our most vulnerable citizens' lives on a better level, and prevent government from spending unnecessarily.

The Senator thanked the media for their direct involvement with actual stories bringing home to people the human suffering caused by a failure to pass a moral budget. Do not give up. We cannot allow this kind of human suffering to exist without raising our voices against it. For everything you have done, thank you.

The Chair thanked Senator White and Senator Chambers for standing up for ENOA during the legislative session and attempted veto override. She also thanked Senator White for his presence today.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 PM. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Dewis

## EASTERN NEBRASKA HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY AND REGION VI GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

June 27, 2007

Chair Mary Ann Borgeson called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM. She stated that the Public Meeting Law is posted in the meeting room.

#### 1. Roll Call

Roll call showed the following Board Members in attendance: Mary Ann Borgeson (Douglas County), Ron Nolte (Cass County), Bob Missel (Dodge County), Duane Wilcox (Washington County). Sarpy County was not represented. The following Staff were present: Bob Brinker, Beverly Griffith, Marge Ludden, Patti Jurjevich, Steve Reicks, Nancy Cohen. Attorney Chris Jerram Lobbyist Joe Kohout, Scott Glienke, Mike Jacoby and Jack Waskow were also present. State of Nebraska Senator Gwen Howard was in attendance later in the meeting.

#### 2. Comments & Correspondence

There was no comment from the Board.

3. Approval of Minutes for May 21, 2007 Board Meeting

Motion was made approving the minutes of the May 21, 2007 meeting. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The resolution was signed.

4. Approval of Pension Documents

Authorization Letter for American Funds—Bob Brinker stated that Exhibits 4a, 4b and 4c were the result of changes in the employee recordkeeping services. These three documents will implement those changes.

a. Exhibit 4a is an authorization for Bob Brinker and Steve Reicks to sign for transactions in American Funds. This is where the employee investments are held with the mutual funds.

Motion was made authorizing Bob Brinker and Steve Reicks to sign for transactions in American Funds for the ENHSA Pension Plan. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The signature sheet was signed by the four members of the Board who were present.

b. Save Contract with Mutual—This is the save contract with Mutual of Omaha. Our employee funds were in guaranteed investment contracts. With the changes, they will go to a save contract with Mutual as a form of fixed investment.

Motion was made authorizing the transfer of employee funds from guaranteed investment contracts to a save contract with Mutual of Omaha. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The fiduciary acceptance form was signed.

c. MG Trust Custodial Account Agreement—MG Trust (Matrix) is the company that will make the transactions on the investments at the point an employee indicates a desire to withdraw their contributions.

Motion was made authorizing MG Trust to handle the investment transactions for the pension plan. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The document was signed.

5. Presentation & Approval of Liability, Property & Auto Insurance for 2007-08

Scott Glienke stated that he went to the market place to find out the best rates. After analyzing applications from two other companies, Philadelphia Insurance is still the best. The premium for the agency is down 2% while the building limits are up 13%, so the overall rate per \$100 is down about 14%-15%. The contents have been increased 11%.

Scott stated that there isn't much change in general and professional liability. The liability premium did increase 6% and the professional premium drops about 1-1/2%. Two group homes were added.

Currently, there is a five million dollar umbrella; the charge is \$9,888. To keep that same limit, it will cost \$9,646.

Scott recommended going from a five million dollar umbrella to a ten million dollar umbrella. This would cost an additional \$5,000. Attorney Chris Jerram stated that the extra \$5,000 would be a worth while expenditure to increase the umbrella to ten million dollars. There was discussion.

Motion was made approving the liability, property and auto insurance policy with Philadelphia Insurance for FY 2007-08 to incorporate the payment of \$5,000 to raise the umbrella to ten million dollars. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

The Chair welcomed Senator Gwen Howard at this time.

6. Presentation & Approval of Workers Compensation Insurance for 2007-08

Mike Jacoby referred to the proposal. He stated that this will be the agency's sixth year with them for Workers Compensation coverage, and this is the best proposal yet. The market is very competitive. Last year, the agency paid out about \$628,000 based on

estimated losses of \$320,000. The payroll for this year has gone up 15%. Bob Brinker stated that this figure will be audited.

Mike stated that the basis of payroll used for quotes was \$24,233,000. The current program is self-funded with \$150,000 deductible. A competing quote was received from Sentry Insurance of \$696,000. Their deductible was \$250,000. AIG quoted at \$608,095. This is a set premium at a fixed rate. If the payroll comes in less at audit time, the agency will receive a refund.

Mary Ann asked if it was likely that they would come back in next year and ask for a reclassification. Mike stated that this was not likely over the next two years; however, it could possibly happen within several years. We can always go back into the self-funded program if it were to occur.

Mike handed out another exhibit showing a summary of the agency's Workers Comp claims since we went to the self funded program. The guaranteed cost option is working very well for the agency at this time. The only way the agency's premium would go up is if the audited payroll comes in higher than the estimate.

Motion was made approving the AIG quote for Workers Compensation insurance through the Hartford for FY 2007-08. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

## 7. Presentation & Approval to Renew ENHSA Dental Plan

Jack Waskow stated that we have enjoyed for two years the below market rates on the dental plan through AIG. Our experience rate for this year was 1.165%. As a result, we received a fairly substantial increase on the dental plan. He referred to the exhibit showing the current plan through AIG, their proposals for the next year and the recommended proposal from Delta Dental.

The next exhibit showed the other proposals from the following: Assurant, AUL, Fort Dearborn (Blue Cross/Blue Shield), Jefferson Pilot, Trustmark. Met Life declined because their rates were not competitive. Jack added that self funding was also considered.

The experience was taken from the previous year and a dental trend of 9% was applied. Jack stated that the best option offered is from Delta Dental. The single rate would be \$19.00, the family rate \$56.30. One improvement over the present plan is if you stay within the network, there is no deductible. There are two networks: Premier Network, PPO Network. If you use the PPO, you have 85% for fillings, etc. You can also use the Premier which includes about 93% of the dentists in this plan. There was brief discussion.

Motion was made approving the FY 2007-08 dental plan through Delta Dental. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

# 8. Approval of Capital Expenditures for Month of June, 2007

Motion was made approving the capital expenditures for the month of June, 2007, per Exhibit 8. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The resolution was signed.

#### 9. Attorney Comments

There was no comment from the attorney.

#### 10. Report from Lobbyist

Joe Kohout referred to the written final legislative update and the report on the prioritizing of interim study resolutions. He reported that we met with resistance on some Behavioral Health initiatives as well as ENOA funding. Subsequent to adjournment, HHS found additional money for ENOA. He expressed appreciation to Mary Ann and Bev for their efforts in making public our concerns. Carol Klaus did a great job of putting these concerns into the media.

He also praised Senator Chambers and Senator White for their support. He stated that he feels it is important that we develop other methods to get money into the agency. We are planning to invite some of the senators to come and spend the day touring all three agencies and some of the services.

The Chair thanked Joe for his efforts with the legislature this year. Now that the legislature has adjourned, she agreed that this would be a good time to plan the tour for the senators. Joe encouraged the Board Members to help convince the senators from their areas to participate in the tour.

Bev reported that Senator Synowiecki has indicated some senators may be doing their own interim studies.

## 11. Status of Revised Interlocal Agreement

Mary Ann reiterated that the agreement had been taken back to the counties. Douglas County made some changes. These have been incorporated into the agreement. She recommended that this copy be taken back to Douglas County for signature, and then taken to each individual county for signature. Nancy Cohen was asked to send out copies of the latest agreement to the Board Members. This item will be carried forward.

#### 12. Request for Executive Session

This was moved to the end of the agenda.

#### 13. Director's Report

There was no Director's Report.

14. Comments from Public

There was no comment from the public.

15. Motion to adjourn out of ENHSA Admin and enter into Office on Aging. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

#### OFFICE ON AGING

16. Approval of Contract for Bath Aide Services

This item was moved to later in the agenda pending information.

17. Presentation on Fund Raising

Senator Gwen Howard stated that funding for ENOA is a great concern, particularly the Meals on Wheels program. She greatly appreciated the letters she received from clients and she did some home visits to people who wrote to her. She stated that these people have a right to stay in their own homes and remain independent.

Senator Howard proposed a unique fund raiser focusing on the Meals on Wheels program. It would involve elected political officials.

The Chair thanked the Senator for her hard work on the floor of the legislature.

Matt Samp, Clear Communication Partners Inc., distributed a marketing proposal for the Meals on Wheels fundraiser. He stated that this is meant to be a nonpartisan effort. It would be strictly about dollars and getting out the message about the Meals on Wheels program and why it is important for the community to embrace it.

There would be a dinner at a hotel, then a live auction and a silent auction. Games based around raising funds would be incorporated. \$10,000 has already been committed in auction items.

Attorney Chris Jerram stated that governmental agencies are not typically raising money through donations. That is why there are 501C3 organizations set up. The foundation raises the money and has a grant process they grant the money to. ENOA has the Partnerships in Aging already set up. He recommended that the Board express its support for this process to enter into an agreement with Partnerships in Aging whereby this can be structured.

Clear Communications would take a small amount of the money raised.

Motion was made to accept this proposal for Partnerships in Aging to work with Clear Communication Partners Inc. and our attorney to create a contract and work out details for the fundraiser. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion was made that the Board to into executive session at 4:45 PM to discuss a personnel matter. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion was made at 5:00 PM that the Board come back out of executive session and that the meeting be reopened to the public. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The Chair stated that no motions or decisions were made while in executive session.

18. Authorization for Nate Louderback to be Volunteer Grant Writer for ENOA

Bev reported that Nate Louderback, husband of staff member, has volunteered to do grant writing for ENOA. This is his offer to help out ENOA. Motion was made authorizing Nate Louderback to serve as volunteer grant writer for ENOA. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Bev reported that AOA has a five million dollar pot of money that is available for area agencies on aging for pilot projects for people who do not meet Medicaid eligibility but need in-home services. The Board agreed that ENOA should assemble a grant to apply for some of this money.

19. Approval of Agreement with Cristo Rey Work/Study Program of Omaha

Motion was made authorizing ENOA to contract with the Cristo Rey Work/Study Program of Omaha to provide two students to assist at the Corrigan Senior Center for one year, per Exhibit 19. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The Chair signed the agreement.

20. Resolution to Approve Contractors for FY 2007-08

Motion was made approving ENOA service contractors for FY 2007-08 as set out in Exhibit 20. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The resolution was signed.

21. Resolution to Approve Five-County Rural Transportation Program for FY 1007-08

Motion was made approving the ENOA Five-County Rural Transportation Program for FY 2007-08, per Exhibit 21A; also approving the funding request for one lift van to be used for this program, per Exhibit 21B. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The two resolutions were signed.

The Chair moved the agenda back to Item 16 at this time.

16. Approval of Contract for Bath Aide Services

Bev reported that ENOA has lost two bath aide contractors and three contractors have offered to provide this service for us: Hillcrest Home Care is willing to service Douglas, Sarpy and Cass Counties at a cost of \$18.25; All Angels Inc. is willing to service Douglas, Sarpy, Cass, Dodge and Washington Counties at a cost of \$16.25; Arcadia Health Services will service Cass County only at a cost of \$23.00.

Motion was made authorizing ENOA to contract with Hillcrest Home Care, All Angels Inc. and Arcadia Health Services to provide bath aide services in the counties stated above for FY 2007-08. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

## 22. Director's Report

The written Director's Report was in the Board packet as Exhibit 22A for the Board's information.

Bev reported that she received a call from a HHS employee who wants to donate \$2,000 to ENOA and would like us to start up an endowment fund where individuals can donate. We could let the dollars grow and earn interest. Attorney Chris Jerram was willing to research this. After discussion, the Board agreed to pursue this possibility.

Two other information items were included in the Board packet as Exhibits 22B and 22C.

Mary Ann and Bev expressed their thanks for the generosity and dedication ENOA Staff has demonstrated through this difficult period.

23. Motion to adjourn out of Office on Aging and enter into Office of Mental Retardation. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

#### OFFICE OF MENTAL RETARDATION

24. Approval to Dispose of Surplus Property

Motion was made authorizing ENCOR to dispose of surplus property as listed in Exhibit 24. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously by roll call vote. The resolution was signed.

25. Approval of Renewal Agreement with Madonna Workshop

Motion was made approving the FY 2007-08 agreement with Madonna Workshop to provide day services. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The chair signed the agreement.

## 26. Approval of Private Pay Agreement

Motion was made approving renewal of a one year private pay agreement with a 2% rate adjustment, per Exhibit 26. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously by roll call vote. The Chair signed the agreement.

27. Approval of Renewal Contract with Nebraska Health & Human Services

Motion was made approving the six-month renewal contract with HHS to include a 2% rate increase. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The Chair signed the contract.

28. Approval of Renewal Contract for Quality Assurance

Motion was made renewing the FY 2007-08 consultant contract with Warren Stork to provide quality assurance services at a 2% rate increase, per Exhibit 28. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The chair signed the contract.

29. Central Area Certification Report & Response

Bob Brinker presented the response to the HHS certification report performed at the Central Area in March, 2007, per Exhibit 29. There were no comments from the Board.

30. Quarterly Quality Assurance Report

Bob presented the quarterly quality assurance report for the Board's information. There were no questions from the Board.

31. Director's Report

Bob provided the Board an update on a situation which occurred in one of the group homes.

32. Comments from Public

There was no comment from the public.

33. Motion to adjourn out of Office of Mental Retardation and enter into Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

#### REGION 6 BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE

#### 34. Approval of Contracts/Amendments

Motion was made approving the following contracts/amendments per Exhibit 34:

- a. Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) Formula Grant Program Contract with Community Alliance, 10/1/06-9/30/07
- b. Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) Formula Grant Program Contract with Salvation Army, 10/1/06-9/30/07
- c. Amendment #3 of Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, 05/21/07 06/30/07
- d. Regional Housing Related Assistance Contract with Community Alliance Housing Management Services, 7/1/06-6/30/07

Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The Chair signed the contracts.

35. Approval of FY 2008 Prevention Mini Grant Funds

Jeff Helaney reported that there was a little excess in prevention funding this year (see Exhibit 35). We asked providers for recommendations on how to use this money to benefit the community. Three responses to the RFQ were as follows:

- a. Sarpy County Sherriff's Dept.—to implement a program called TRACE.

  The program searches for people who have sold alcohol to minors after the minor has been arrested.
- b. Creighton University—to present a seminar that teaches people ways to keep children off drugs.
- c. Pride Omaha—to promote drug prevention activities within the community through the Red Ribbon Education Campaign.

The total award amount from the prevention budget is \$41,591.

Motion was made approving FY 2008 expenditures from the Prevention budget as follows:

Sarpy County Sheriff's Dept. \$19,333.
Creighton University 2,258.
PRIDE-Omaha Inc. 20,000.

Total expenditure \$41,591.

Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

## 36. Approval of Lease Extension for The Spring Center

Patti reported the current lease expires September 31<sup>st</sup>. We would like to extend the lease through December 31, 2007 with a small increase, with the option to extend it by two month increments.

Motion was made authorizing the extension of the lease for the Spring Center through December 31, 2007 to include the two-month extension option, per Exhibit 36. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The Chair signed the lease extension.

## 37. Approval of Engagement Letter for FY 2007 Audit

Patti referred to the engagement letter as Exhibit 37. Schleisman Onken & Associates PC have performed the audit at Region 6 for the last three years. She asked for approval to contract with them for one year only so Region 6 can go back out for bids next year.

Motion was made authorizing Schleisman Onken & Associate PC to perform the FY 2007 audit at Region 6 at a cost of \$9,000. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The Chair signed the letter of understanding.

38. Presentation of Tort Claim from Garland Law, PC FOR Reid Ladenson and Patty Ladenson

Attorney Chris Jerram reported that this claim was filed against Region 6 and Mary Ann Borgeson by the Ladensons. They allege that Region 6 was negligent in providing treatment to Mr. Ladenson through the University Drug and Alcohol Program located at Region 6. The claim was turned in to Philadelphia Insurance. It has been determined that Mr. Ladenson has not complied with the Tort Claims Act in that he did not provide the Governing Board with notice. A motion has been filed in district court to dismiss this claim. He recommended that the claim be referred to counsel with instructions to forward it to Philadelphia Insurance. They then have six months to settle the claim.

Mary Ann stated that this appeared on the Douglas County agenda and they have referred it to their attorney.

Motion was made to forward this claim to Attorney Chris Jerram, who will then forward it to Philadelphia Insurance. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

#### 39. Resolutions for Out-of-State Travel

Motion was made authorizing Ken Timmerman and Dennis Snook to travel to Nashville, Tennessee to attend the Crisis Intervention Team National Conference, per Exhibit 39a. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously by roll call vote. The two resolutions were signed.

# 40. Approval for Purchase of Capital Expenditures

Motion was made authorizing the following capital expenditures for Region 6:

1 Lapel portable microphone for conference rm. \$1,451.

1 Podium to house computer & A/V equip. 1,440.

2 Dell Latitude D630 Laptop Computers

3,843.

Total \$6,734.

Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

#### 41. Updates

Patti Jurjevich presented the updates on Behavioral Health Reform (Exhibit 41a) and the Behavioral Health Recovery Center.

She and Mary Ann met with Scott Adams (HHS) on June 1<sup>st</sup> to talk about the Recovery Center. We expressed to him that Region 6 would like to be part of the contracting process for the Recovery Center. He was to meet with the Governor soon and would make an effort to convince the Governor to include Region 6 in the process. A letter was then received from Scott that the Governor had decided the Region would not be involved in that contract, so HHS will contract directly with Alegent Health for the Recovery Center. The Recovery Center is expected to start up in February, 2008.

Mary Ann has let Scott know that Region 6 is still willing to talk down the road. One concern is that the State does not have a way to monitor the Recovery Center. The other concern is that Region 6 still has money left over in the budget that the State may decide to take.

#### 42. Contract Status Report

This information was in the packet under Exhibit 42 for the Board's information.

#### 43. Director's Report

Patti reported that Exhibit 43A is a progress report on Dodge County Crisis Response.

She invited the Board to attend the Year End Review at Region 6 to take place on Friday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM. Staff is enjoying planning this event. It is informal and lunch will be provided.

Region 6 was to receive a 2% increase in the last legislative session. At the end, however, we will only receive a 1.5%-1.8% increase. No one understands why.

UNMC Methadone Maintenance intends to get out of business. We are presently discussing needs with them.

Patti plans to bring the Region 6 FY 2007-08 budget to the Board at the July meeting.

44. Comments from Public

There were no comments from the public.

45. Motion to adjourn out of Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare and enter into Office of Mental Health. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

#### OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH

46. Director's Report

Marge Ludden reported that there are four staff working to review the program. Ten staff came in from vacation to give their input. We are also presently working on the budget for 1007-08 school year.

47. Comments from Public

There were no comments from the public.

48. Motion was made at 6:20 PM to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Lewis

# EASTERN NEBRASKA HUMAN SERVIES AGENCY AND REGION VI GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

# July 18, 2007 3:30 PM ENOA Office, 4223 Center, Lower Level

# PRELIMINARY AGENDA

١.	Roll Call
2.	Comments & Correspondence—Governing Board
2. 3.	Approval of Minutes for June 20 Special Meeting and June 27 Regular Board
	Meeting
<del>1</del> .	Approval of Capital Expenditures for Month of July, 2007
5. 5.	Attorney Comments
	Status of Revised Interlocal Agreement
7.	Approval of Tuition Reimbursement Rates for 2007-08— Nancy Cohen
3.	Report from Pension Committee—Bob Brinker
9.	Request for Executive Session
10.	Director's Report
11.	Comments from Public (please limit to 3 minutes each person)
12.	Motion to Adjourn Out of ENHSA Admin and to Enter into Region 6
	Behavioral Healthcare
	REGION 6 BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE
13.	Resolution of Support for Metro Co-Occurring Task Force – Kristen Houser
14.	Approval of Contracts
a.	Nebraska Family Support Network (NFSN), 7/1/07-6/30/08
b.	Regional Housing Related Assistance Contract with the Nebraska
	vision of Behavioral Health, 7/1/07-6/30/08
15.	Approval of Region 6 Budget for FY08 – Patti Jurjevich
16.	Notice of Contract Termination with University of Nebraska Medical Center
	(UNMC) – Patti Jurjevich
17.	Updates – Patti Jurjevich:
a.	Behavioral Health Reform
<b>b</b> .	Behavioral Health Recovery Center
18.	Contract Status Reports for the Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2007
19.	Director's Report – Patti Jurjevich

Comments from Public (please limit to 3 minutes each person)

20.

21. Motion to Adjourn Out of Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare and to Enter into Office of Mental Health

# OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH

- Presentation and Approval of 2007-08 Budget for Alpha School--Marge Ludden
- 23. Director's Report
- 24. Comments from Public (please limit to 3 minutes each person)
- 25. Motion to Adjourn Out of ENHSA Admin and to Enter into Office on Aging

#### OFFICE ON AGING

- Approval of Lease at Workforce Development for Office Space— Bev Griffith
- 27. Update on Fund Raising—Bev Griffith/Chris Jerram
- 28. Director's Report
- 29. Comments from Public (please limit to 3 minutes each person)
- 30. Motion to Adjourn Out of Office on Aging and Enter into Office of Mental Retardation

# OFFICE OF MENTAL RETARDATION

- 31. Approval of Renewal Agreement with the Red Cross—Bob Brinker
- 32. Director's Report
- 33. Comments from Public (please limit to 3 minutes each person)
- 34. Motion to Adjourn Meeting

THIS AGENDA, WHICH SHALL BE KEPT CONTINUALLY CURRENT, SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AT THE ENOA CENTRAL OFFICE, 4223 CENTER ST., OMAHA, NE DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS.